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Offices of the Corporation. No. 1, Queen's Road East. Hongkong, August 16, 1877. CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA & CHINA. CAPITAL, £800,000. RESERVE FUND, £110,000. BANKERS. THE BANK OF ENGLAND. THE CITY BANK. THE NATIONAL BANK OF SCOTLAND.

THE BANK'S BRANCH IN HONGKONG grants Drafts on London and the Chief Commercial places in Europe and the East; buys and receives for collection Bills of Exchange; and conducts all kinds of Banking and Exchange Business. Local Bills discounted, and interest allowed on Current Accounts and on Deposits for fixed periods on terms which may be ascertained on application. deb

Intimations.

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WHOLESALE OR RETAIL OF A. S. WATSON & Co., Hongkong Dispensary. Hongkong, November 2, 1877. deb

NOTICE.

A. MILLER & Co., PLUMBERS, AND GAS FITTERS, Queen's Road East, HONGKONG. September 16, 1877.

DENTAL NOTICE.

D. R. STOUT has RETURNED, and will be ready to receive Patients on MONDAY, the 24th instant, until further notice, at his Rooms, Ground Floor, HONGKONG DISPENSARY. Office hours, 8 to 12 Noon and 2 to 4 p.m. Hongkong, September 22, 1877.

DENTAL NOTICE.

D. R. ROGERS begs to inform his Patients and the Public that he intends to visit AMOY and FOOCHOW in September and October, leaving HONGKONG about the 15th of September. Hongkong, August 9, 1877.

Intimations.

G. FALCONER & Co., WATCH AND CHRONOMETER MANUFACTURERS, AND JEWELLERS. NAUTICAL INSTRUMENTS, CHARTS AND BOOKS. 46, Queen's Road Central. Hongkong, August 20, 1877. feb20

W. BALL.

CHINA DISPENSARY. IMPORTER OF DRUGS, CHEMICALS, DRUGGISTS' Sundries, TOILET REQUISITES, PATENT MEDICINES AND PERFUMES. Prescriptions Dispensed with Carefulness, and Prompt Attention.

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AH YON.

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PHOTOGRAPHER, by appointment, to H. E. SIR ARTHUR KENNEDY, GOVERNOR OF HONGKONG; and to H. I. H. THE GRAND DUKE ALEXIS OF RUSSIA, Wyndham Street, formerly AXELTIC CLUB. HAS on hand the Largest and Best collection of Views of China, Photographic Albums, Frames, Cases, &c., of assorted sizes. Ex. S. S. Tyne, Revolving Standard Albums; Armorial Monograms and Postage Stamp Albums, Russia Leather, Velvet and carved-wood Albums, Cases and Frames, nice Albums for Cabinet Portraits only, Portraits of the Generals of the present Russo-Turkish War, Eminent British Statesmen, the two Chinese Ambassadors, in Cabinet and Carte de Visite sizes. Coloured Portraits of English Ladies. Hongkong, August 24, 1877.

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Special Attention is invited to a new Grand Cottage PIANO, by LUDWIG and REINERT, Zell—Just Received from Germany, and specially constructed for this climate to the order of the Undersigned. Orders from any of the Outposts in the East, will meet with prompt attention if addressed: Care of Messrs LANE, CRAWFORD & Co., or Messrs GAUPE & Co. A. HAHN. Hongkong, September 7, 1877.

THE HONGKONG HOTEL. TENDERS are invited for a LEASE of the HONGKONG HOTEL, the present Five-yearly Lease expiring on the 31st August, 1878. SEALED TENDERS to be sent in on or before the 31st March, 1878, to the Secretary of the HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED, who will supply any information required. By Order of the Directors, LOUIS HAUSCHILD, Secretary. Hongkong, September 16, 1877. sep1

DEVOE'S BRILLIANT OIL. RELIABLE, ECONOMICAL, SAFE!! DESIRING to benefit by the world-wide reputation of our Oil, certain parties have attempted to imitate our packages. Suits at law have been instituted against the MAKERS and PURCHASERS of these imitations. Buyers should be careful to see that the words "DEVOE'S BRILLIANT" are stencilled on the cases, and the words "DEVOE MFG CO. PATENTS" are stamped on the top of the can.

THE DEVOE MANUFACTURING CO., 80 Beaver and 127 Pearl Streets, NEW YORK, U. S. A. [111]

Intimations.

ST. ANDREW'S BALL. TO be Held in the CITY HALL on FRIDAY EVENING, the 30th November: Subscription Lists are to be seen at the Hongkong Club, and with Messrs MACLEWEN, FRICKEL & Co., Messrs GLO, FALCONER & Co. and Messrs LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. The Lists will be closed on the 25th instant. Hongkong, November 8, 1877. no26

IN THE GOODS OF JAMES SMITH FERRIES, Deceased.

NOTICE is hereby given that all Creditors and other Persons, having any CLAIMS or DEMANDS upon or against the Estate of JAMES SMITH FERRIES, late Master of the S. S. "ZEALANDIA," who died at Sea on Board the said Vessel, on the 8th day of February 1877, and whose Will was duly proved, and Letters of Administration, with the Will annexed, of whose personal Estate were duly granted to JOHN FAIRBAIRN, of No. 27 Queen's Road, in the Colony of Hongkong, by the Supreme Court of Hongkong, in its Probate Jurisdiction, on the 22nd day of September 1877, are hereby required to send in writing to the said JOHN FAIRBAIRN, at his address aforesaid, or to the Undersigned WILLIAM HENRY BREBETON, the Solicitor of the said JOHN FAIRBAIRN, at the Office of the said WILLIAM HENRY BREBETON, 29 Queen's Road, Hongkong, on or before the 15th day of January, 1878. And notice is hereby given that at the expiration of the last-mentioned day, the said JOHN FAIRBAIRN will proceed to distribute the Assets of the said JAMES SMITH FERRIES amongst the parties entitled thereto, having regard to the Claims of which the said JOHN FAIRBAIRN has then had notice; and that the said JOHN FAIRBAIRN will not be liable for the Assets or any part thereof, so distributed, to any person of whose Claim the said JOHN FAIRBAIRN has not had notice at the time of the distribution. Dated this 8th day of October, 1877. Wm. H. BREBETON, Solicitor for the said JOHN FAIRBAIRN. ja18

IN THE GOODS OF PROSPER EDOUARD HENRI DERODE.—Deceased.

NOTICE is hereby given that all Creditors and other Persons having any CLAIMS or DEMANDS upon or against the Estate of PROSPER EDOUARD HENRI DERODE, late of Lille, France, who died at Canton, France, on the 10th day of December 1869, and Letters of Administration of whose personal estate were duly granted to ANDRE DAMMANN, of Canton, in the Empire of China, Merchant, by the Supreme Court of Hongkong in its Probate Jurisdiction on the 26th day of October, 1877, are hereby required to send in writing the particulars of their CLAIMS or DEMANDS to the said ANDRE DAMMANN at his address aforesaid or to the Undersigned WILLIAM HENRY BREBETON, the Solicitor of the said ANDRE DAMMANN at the Office of the said WILLIAM HENRY BREBETON, 29 Queen's Road, Hongkong, on or before the 1st day of February, 1878. And notice is hereby given that the said ANDRE DAMMANN will proceed to distribute the assets of the said PROSPER EDOUARD HENRI DERODE amongst the parties entitled, having regard to the claims of which the said ANDRE DAMMANN has then had notice; and that the said ANDRE DAMMANN will not be liable for the assets, or any part thereof, so distributed to any person of whose claim the said ANDRE DAMMANN has not had notice at the time of the distribution. Dated this 31st day of October, 1877. Wm. H. BREBETON, de2 Solicitor of the said Andre Dammann.

KWONG HING CHEUNG & Co., COAL MERCHANTS. Have always on hand for Sale every description of COAL at Moderate Prices. Mr. Anyon has been appointed Manager, and all Orders addressed to him at 27, Praya, or to Mr. Fat Jack, at 30, Hing Lung Street, will receive immediate attention. Hongkong, March 19, 1877. mo19

For Sale. LARGE TAKASIMA COAL, EX GODOWN, AT \$8 PER TON. Apply to THE G. GLOVER, No. 7, Queen's Road Central, and East Point. Hongkong, October 24, 1877. no24

For Sale. SHANGHAI CANTON. THE Desirable PROPERTY known as Lot No. 48, consisting of Commodious DWELLING HOUSE, OFFICES and SILE GODOWN. For particulars, apply to G. M. SMITH, Canton. October 19, 1877.

For Sale.

LANE, ATKINSON & CO. HAVE FOR SALE, EX STEAMSHIPS "YORKSHIRE," "MADAGASCAR," "CITY OF TOKIO," &c., &c.

NEW SEASON'S (MAX) BUTTER. The First Shipment of Busch & Co.'s Celebrated Cowbrand DANISH BUTTER. In Tins of 1 lb. each, 60 Cents per lb. In Tins of 2 lb. each, 55 Cents per lb. In Tins of 4 lb. each, 50 Cents per lb.

Fresh supplies of CHOICE & BLACKWELL'S OILMAN'S STORES, and American Family MESS STORES.—As per their JULY PRICE LIST. (All Stores sold by L. A. & Co. are of the Very Best Quality.)

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INDIA RUBBER SHEETS, and Insertion of all Sizes. INDIA RUBBER and CANVAS DELIVERY and SUCTION HOSE. Cabin Suspension LAMPS. Cabin CANDLESTICKS. FENDERS and FIRE IRONS. JAPANESE TOILET SETS. CARRIAGE LAMPS, and CARRIAGE CANDLES. WATER FILTERS. Gosnell's HAIR BRUSHES, TOOTH BRUSHES, and NAIL BRUSHES.

A Fine Assortment of DE LA RUE'S STATIONERY, BOOKS, NOVELS, WORKS OF REFERENCE, SCHOOL BOOKS, &c., &c. Hongkong, September 15, 1877.

FOR SALE.

DANISH BEE R, TWOBORES FABRIKKE. \$7 per Case quart. \$9 per Case pint. LANE, CRAWFORD & Co., Sole Agents. Hongkong, November 7, 1877. de7

NOW READY.

A CHINESE DICTIONARY IN THE CANTONESE DIALECT.—Part I. A to K, with Introduction. Royal 8vo., pp. 202.—By ERNEST JOHN EITEL, Ph.D. Tubingen. Price: TWO DOLLARS AND A HALF. To be had from Messrs LANE, CRAWFORD & Co., Hongkong and Shanghai; and Messrs KELLY & WATSON, Shanghai. Hongkong, February 3, 1877.

Shipping.

Steamers.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW. The Steamship "YESO," Capt. S. ARNOT, will be despatched for the above Ports on SUNDAY, the 11th inst., at Daylight. For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LAPELLE & Co. Hongkong, November 9, 1877. no11

FOR MANILA. The Steamship "ESMERALDA," Capt. CURRIE, will be despatched for the above Port on MONDAY, the 12th instant, at Noon. For Freight or Passage, apply to J. Y. V. SHAW. Hongkong, November 9, 1877. no12

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALOUTTA. The Steamship "VENICE," Capt. RHODE, will leave for the above Ports on TUESDAY, the 13th instant, at 8 p.m. For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co. Hongkong, November 8, 1877. no13

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALOUTTA. The Steamship "HINDOSTAN," Capt. A. B. MACLAVEN, will leave for the above Ports on TUESDAY Next, the 13th inst., at 3 p.m. For Freight or Passage, apply to DAVID BASSON, SONS & Co., Agents. Hongkong, November 8, 1877. no15

Shipping.

Sailing Vessels. FOR ADELAIDE (DIRECT.) The Clipper-ship "HARBINGER" will be despatched for the above Port on FRIDAY, the 16th instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co. Hongkong, November 9, 1877. no16

FOR MELBOURNE & SYDNEY. The Portuguese Ship "ALFA," Captain Souza, will load here for the above Ports, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight or Passage, apply to HOP KEE & Co. Hongkong, October 6, 1877.

FOR MANILA. The Spanish Brig "SAN LORENZO," MANDARAGA, Master, will have immediate despatch for the above Port.

For Freight, apply to REMEDIOS & Co. Hongkong, October 26, 1877.

FOR NEW YORK. The 41 American Barkentine "ABIEL ABBOTT," J. CHASE, Master, will load here for the above Port, and have early despatch.

For Freight, apply to RUSSELL & Co. Hongkong, October 19, 1877. no19

FOR LONDON. The 100 1/2 British Barque "WOODFILL," T. E. NELSON, Master, will load here and have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to MEYER & Co. Hongkong, September 26, 1877.

FOR MELBOURNE & SYDNEY. The 41 British Barque "GRONDA," Capt. KENNETH, having most of her Cargo engaged, will have quick despatch as above.

For Freight, apply to ROZARIO & Co. Hongkong, October 16, 1877.

FOR MELBOURNE & SYDNEY. (To follow the Chocola.) The 41 British Barque "EMPREZA," Capt. SKINNER, will load here, and have a quick despatch as above.

For Freight, apply to ROZARIO & Co. Hongkong, November 1, 1877.

FOR NEW YORK. The 41 American Ship "COLORADO," INGRAHAM, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co. Hongkong, November 3, 1877.

FOR HONOLULU. The 41 American Ship "CHARTER OAK," STAPLES, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight or Passage, apply to VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co. Hongkong, November 3, 1877.

FOR NEW YORK. The 41 British Ship "ISLES OF THE SOUTH," DENNETT, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co. Hongkong, October 10, 1877.

FOR LONDON. The 41 100 tons splendid British Clipper Ship "SYDENHAM," A. MILLAR, Commander, will have quick despatch for the above Port.

For Freight, apply to VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co., Agents. Hongkong, September 27, 1877.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO. The 3/8 L. I. German Ship "GILATA," JARSEN, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co. Hongkong, September 10, 1877.

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION. VALUABLE LAND AND HOUSEHOLD PROPERTY, &c.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. have received instructions to sell by Public Auction, (unless previously disposed of by Private Sale), on

MONDAY, the 31st December, 1877, at Noon, at their Sale Room, Praya Central.—

The following PIECES or PARCELS of GROUND, with the Buildings erected thereon.

First.—All that Piece or Parcel of GROUND, situated in Victoria, Hongkong, and Registered in the Land Office as the remaining portion of INLAND LOT No. 41, abutting on the North side thereof on a Public Road, and Measuring thereon 153 feet, on the South side thereof on Section 4 of the aforesaid Inland Lot No. 41 and Measuring thereon 75 feet and 55 feet, on the East side thereof on a Public Road, and Measuring thereon 88 feet, and on the West side thereof on a Close Registered in the Land Office as Inland Lot No. 201, and Measuring thereon 36 feet, which said Piece or Parcel of Ground contains in the whole about 8,000 square feet, of which the Annual Crown Rent is \$73.01, together with the Messuages or Tenements standing thereon, at present leased by D. RUTTENBER, Esq.

Second.—All that Piece or Parcel of GROUND, situated in the Poko-fu-lum District of Hongkong, and Registered in the Land Office as FARM LOT No. 26, abutting on the North side thereof on Closes Registered in the Land Office as Farm Lots Nos. 18 and 20, and Measuring thereon 1,200 feet, on the South side thereof on Government Ground, and Measuring thereon 600 feet, on the East side thereof on a Water Course, and Measuring thereon 1,400 feet, and on the West side thereof on the Sea at high Water Mark, and Measuring thereon 700 feet, which said Piece or Parcel of Ground contains in the whole 22 1/2 Acres, of which the Annual Crown Rent is \$93.30.

And, All that Piece or Parcel of GROUND, situated in the Poko-fu-lum District of Hongkong, and Registered in the Land Office as FARM LOT No. 30, abutting on the South side thereof on a Close Registered in the Land Office as Farm Lot No. 29, on the East side thereof on the road to Aberdeen, and on the North and West sides thereof on a Water Course, which said Piece or Parcel of Ground contains in the whole 3 1/2 Acres, of which the Annual Crown Rent is \$12; together with a quantity of Building Materials at present contained in and about the houses described as "Belmont" upon the aforesaid Lots.

TERMS OF SALE.—One-half of the purchase money to be paid on the fall of the hammer, and the balance on completion of the Deed or Deeds of Transfer, the expenses of which to be paid by the purchaser. The Property to be at purchaser's risk on the fall of the hammer. For further Particulars, apply to LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. Hongkong, October 31, 1877. de30

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Now Ready.

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The Rhymes of the Shih-king. Brief Sketches from the Life of K'ang-ming. (Continued from Vol. V., page 387). The Wild Silk-worms of the Province of Shantung. Notes on Chinese Grammar (Continued from Vol. V., page 382). Geographical Notes on the Province of Kiangsu. Translations of Chinese School-books. Short Notices of New Books and Literary Intelligence. Notes and Queries.—Bankruptcy in China. The Share taken by Chinese and Bannermen respectively in the Government of China. Laws of Sale amongst the Chinese. Studies in Words.—Roots Meaning One. The Character 利 Chinese Antiquity. Shin versus Shanghai. A Chinese Primer. A Rare Manchou Coin. Were Yao and Shun Historical Persons? Native Literature on Chinese Porcelain. Books Wanted, Exchanges, &c.

China Mail Office, Hongkong, October 31, 1877.

Notices of Firms.

NOTICE.

I HAVE This Day admitted Mr WILLIAM LEGGIE as a PARTNER in my Business, which will henceforth be conducted under the Style of HUGHES & LEGGIE.
W. KERFOOT HUGHES.
Hongkong, November 1, 1877. jal

NOTICE.

MR. CHARLES DAVID BOTTOMLEY was admitted a PARTNER in our Firm on the 1st July, 1877.
DOUGLAS LAFRAIK & Co.
Hongkong, September 23, 1877.

NOTICE.

MR. JAMES AYTON MANN is authorized to Sign our Firm by Procuration.
GEPP & Co.
Canton, November 1, 1877. jal

NOTICE.

THE Business of SHARE and GENERAL BROKER, hitherto conducted in my name, will now be carried on under the Style of COHEN & HEATON. Mr. ALEXANDER MACGLASHAN HEATON having This Day become a PARTNER therein.
CHAS. C. COHEN.
Hongkong, November 1, 1877. jal

NOTICE.

I HAVE This Day Established myself at this Port as a GENERAL COMMISSION AGENT.
J. Y. VERNON SHAW.
Hongkong, November 1, 1877. myl

NOTICE.

FROM This Date Mr EDWARD SHEPARD and Mr M. W. GREIG, are authorized to Sign the name of our Firm by Procuration at Foochow, and Mr F. F. ELWELL at Amoy.
RUSSELL & Co.
China, June 1, 1877. del

Notices to Consignees.

FROM LONDON AND SINGAPORE.

THE S. S. Glenlyon having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk and stored in the Godowns of the Undersigned, whence and/or from the Wharf or Boats delivery may be obtained. Optional Cargo will be forwarded to Shanghai, unless notice to the contrary is given before 2 p.m. To-day. Cargo remaining undelivered after the 12th instant will be subject to rent.

By Order of the Undersigned, JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.
Hongkong, November 5, 1877. nol2

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM LONDON, LIVERPOOL, BOMBAY AND SINGAPORE.

THE "Iman" S. S. City of Limerick having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk and stored in the Godowns of the Undersigned, whence and/or from the Wharf or Boats delivery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded to Shanghai, unless notice to the contrary is given before 1 p.m. To-day. Cargo remaining undelivered after the 12th instant will be subject to rent. No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be counter-signed after Consignees have signed the Average Bond by
BIRLEY & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, November 2, 1877. nol2

BRITISH BARQUE MELBREE, FROM LONDON.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above Vessel are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for counter-signature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods. Cargo, impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.
ARNHOLD, KARBURG & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, October 16, 1877.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

S. S. ANADYR.

NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo per S. S. *Monsieur de Ganga*, from London, in connection with the above Steamers, are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and stored at their risk at the Company's Godowns, whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on, unless intimation is received from the Consignees, before 1 o'clock To-day, the 2nd instant, requesting it to be landed here. Bills of Lading will be counter-signed by the Undersigned.

Goods remaining unclaimed after 24 hours, the 9th instant, at Noon, will be subject to rent and landing charges. No Fire Insurance has been effected.
R. D. FOOTEY, Agent.
Hongkong, November 9, 1877.

Mails.

U. S. MAIL LINE.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

THROUGH TO NEW YORK, VIA OVERLAND RAILWAYS, AND FORTKING AT YOKOHAMA, AND SAN FRANCISCO.

THE U. S. Mail Steamer *CHINA* will be despatched for San Francisco, via Yokohama, on FRIDAY, the 23rd instant, 1877, at 12 o'clock Noon, taking Passengers, and Freight, for Japan, the United States, and Europe.

Through Passenger Tickets and Bills of Lading are issued for transportation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports, to San Francisco, to ports in Mexico, Central and South America, and to New York and Europe via OVERLAND RAILWAYS.

A Steamer of the *Misses* S. S. Company will leave Shanghai, via the Inland Sea Ports, about same date, and make close connection at Yokohama.

At New York, Passengers have selection of various lines of Steamers to England, France and Germany.

Freight will be received on board until 4 p.m., 22nd instant. Parcel Packages will be received at the office until 5 p.m. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

Consular Invoices to accompany Overland Cargo should be sent to the Company's Offices in Sealed Envelopes, addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco.

For security's sake, Shippers of Overland Cargo are requested to endorse on the Envelope the Marks and Nos. of Packages Shipped, to correspond with those in their Bills of Lading.

For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 9, Praya Central.

RUSSELL & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, November 6, 1877. nol2

Occidental & Oriental Steam-Ship Company.

TAKING THROUGH CARGO AND PASSENGERS FOR THE UNITED STATES AND EUROPE, IN CONNECTION WITH THE CENTRAL AND UNION PACIFIC AND CONNECTING RAILROAD COMPANIES AND ATLANTIC STEAMERS.

THE S. S. "BELGIO" will be despatched for San Francisco via Yokohama, on THURSDAY, the 8th December, at 9 a.m., taking Cargo and Passengers for Japan, the United States and Europe. Connection is made at Yokohama with steamers from Shanghai.

Freight will be received on Board until 4 p.m. of the 8th December. PARCEL PACKAGES will be received at the Office until 5 p.m. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

Return Passage Tickets available for 6 months are issued at a reduction of 20 per cent. on regular rates.

For further information as to Freight or Passage, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 9, Queen's Road Central.

G. B. EMORY, Agent.
Hongkong, November 9, 1877. del

INSURANCES.

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

HEAD OFFICE—HONGKONG.

AGENCIES at all the Treaty Ports of China and Japan, and at Singapore, Saigon and Penang.

Risks accepted, and Policies of Insurance granted at the rates of Premium current at the above mentioned Ports.

NO CHARGE FOR POLICY FEE.
JAS. B. COUGHLIN, Secretary.
Hongkong, November 1, 1877.

LANCASHIRE INSURANCE COMPANY. (FIRE AND LIFE). CAPITAL—Two Millions Sterling.

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If required, protection will be granted on first class Lives up to £1000 on a Single Life.

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Intimations.

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A SECOND RETURN of CAPITAL at the Rate of FIVE TAIELS per SHARE will be made to Shareholders of record on the 1st October, Payable at the Office of the Liquidators, on the 8th Inst.

Warrants will be delivered by the Undersigned to Shareholders, who shall be required to present them to the Liquidators for Redemption of Shares.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 2nd to the 8th instant, inclusive.

By Order, RUSSELL & Co., Liquidators.
Shanghai, October 2, 1877.

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TERMS OF ADVERTISING IN THE Chinese Mail.

TWO cents a character for the first 100 characters, and one cent a character beyond the first 100, for first insertion, and half price for repetitions during the first week. Subsequent weekly insertions will be charged only one half the amount of the first week's charge. Advertisements for half a year and longer will be allowed a discount of 25 per cent on the total amount, and contracts for more favourable terms can be made.

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THE widely-expressed regret at the discontinuance of *Notes & Queries on China and Japan*, has induced the publishers of this journal to issue a publication similar in object and style, but slightly modified in certain details.

THE CHINA REVIEW, or *Notes and Queries on the Far East*, is issued at intervals of two months, each number containing about 60 octavo pages, occasionally illustrated with lithographs, photographs, woodcuts, &c., should the papers published demand, and the circulation justify, such extra matter.

The subscription is fixed at \$6.50 postage paid, per annum, payable by non-residents in Hongkong half-yearly in advance. The publication includes papers original and selected upon the Arts and Sciences, Ethnology, Folklore, Geography, History, Literature, Mythology, Manners and Customs, Natural History, Religion, &c., &c., of China, Japan, Mongolia, Tibet, the Eastern Archipelago, and the "Far East" generally. A more detailed list of subjects upon which contributions are especially invited is incorporated with each number.

Original contributions in Chinese, Latin, French, German, Spanish, Italian or Portuguese, are admissible. Endeavour are made to present a resume in each number of the contents of the most recent works bearing on Chinese matters. Great attention is also paid to the Review department.

Notes and Replies are classified together as "Notes" (head references being given, when furnished, to previous Notes or Queries), as are also those queries which, though asking for information, furnish new or unpublished details concerning the matter in hand. It is desirable to make the Queries proper as brief and as much to the point as possible.

The *China Review* for July and August, 1875, is at hand. It says that forty-two essays were sent in to compete for the best paper on the advantages of Christianity for the development of a State. All our learned societies should subscribe to this scholarly and entertaining Review. It is a sixty-page, bi-monthly, repository of what scholars are ascertaining about China. The lecture on Chinese Poetry in this volume is alone worth the price of the Review. Address: *China Review*, Hongkong.—Northern Christian Advocate (U.S.).

Frederick's Oriental Record contains the following notice of the *China Review*:—"This is the title of a publication, the first number of which has lately reached us from Hongkong, where it has been set on foot as in some respects a continuation of *Notes and Queries on China and Japan*, the extinction of which would be a great loss to the Chinese community in Europe as well as in China. The present publication, judged by the number now before us, is intended to occupy a position, as regards China and the neighbouring countries, somewhat similar to that which has been filled in India by the *Calcutta Review*. The great degree of attention that has been bestowed of late years upon the investigation of Chinese literature, antiquities, and social developments, to say nothing of linguistic studies, has led to the accumulation of important stores of information, rendering some such channel of publicity as is now provided extremely desirable; and contributions of much interest may fairly be looked for from the members of the foreign consular services, the Chinese Customs' corps, and the missionary body, among whom a high degree of Chinese scholarship is now assiduously cultivated, and who are severally represented in the first number of the Review by papers highly creditable to their respective authors. In a paper on Dr. Legge's *She King*, by the Rev. E. J. Eitel, to which the place of honour is deservedly given, an excellent summary is presented of the chronological problems and arguments involved in connection with this important work. Some translations from Chinese novels and plays are marked by both accuracy and freshness of style; and an account of the career of the Chinese post-stationer of the eleventh century, Su Hung-yu, by Mr. E. C. Bowra, is not only historically valuable, but is distinguished by its literary grace. Beside notices of new books relating to China and the East, which will be a useful feature of the Review, it carried out with punctuality and detail, we are glad to notice that "Notes" and "Queries" are destined to find a place in its pages also. It is to be hoped that this opening for contributions on Chinese subjects may evoke a similar degree of literary zeal to that which was displayed during the lifetime of its predecessor in the field, and that the *China Review* may receive the support necessary to insure its continuance. The publication is intended to appear every two months, and will form a substantial octavo magazine.

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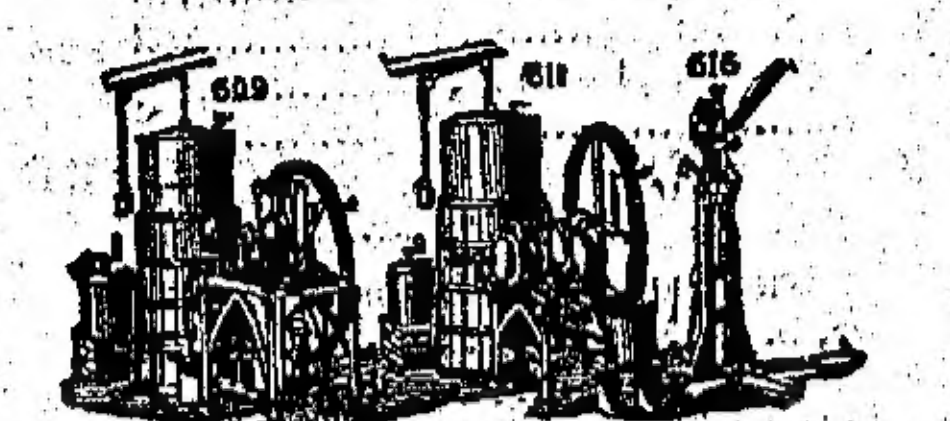
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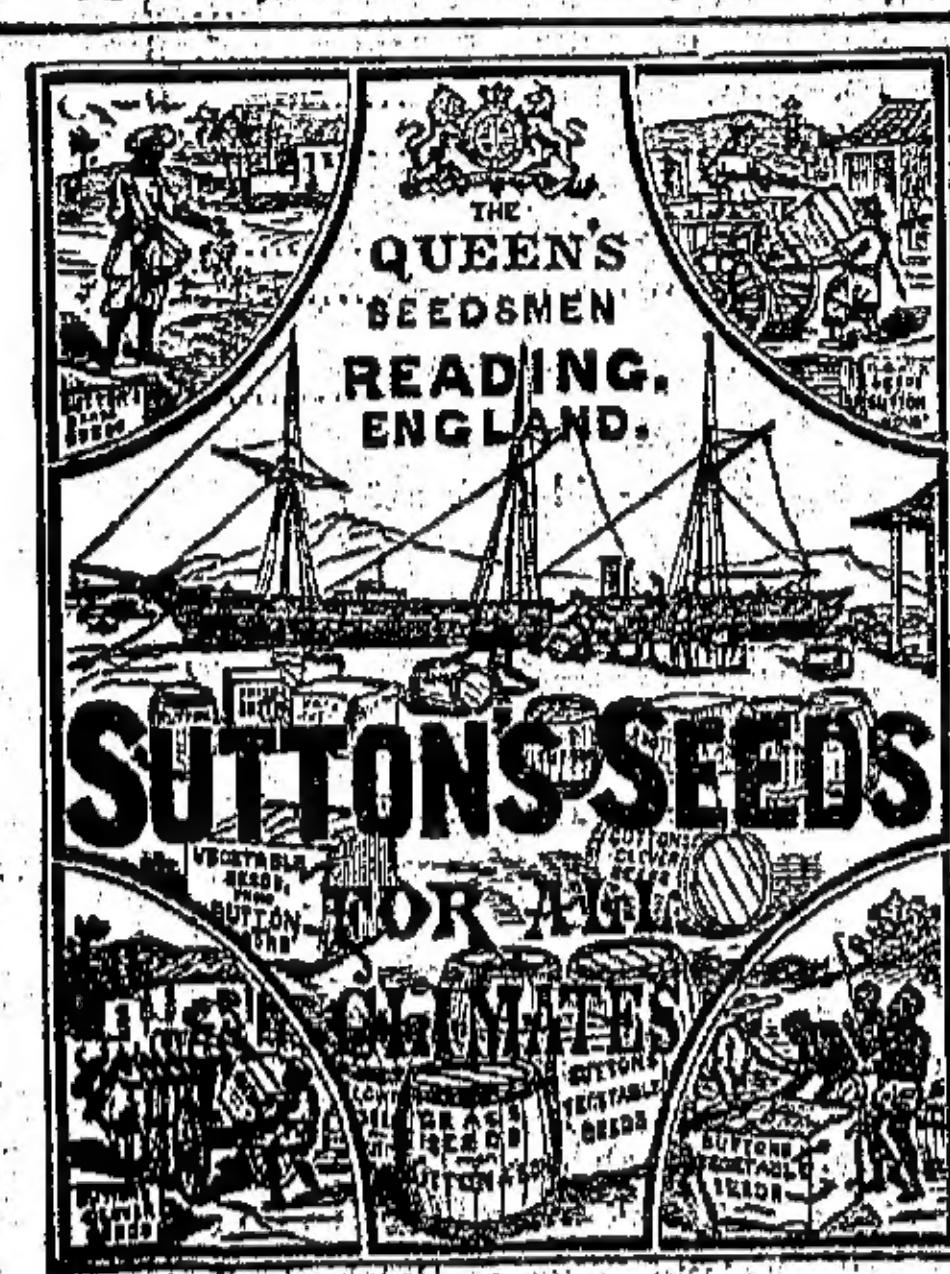
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ARRIVALS.

Nov. 9, 7 p.m. Diomed, British steamer, 1240, Jackson, Liverpool Sept. 23, via ports of call and Singapore Nov. 2, General.
—Bottersmeyer & Sons.
Nov. 10, China, German steamer, 648, Achermann, Shanghai Nov. 6, 11 a.m., General.
—Strancker & Co.
Nov. 10, West Stanley, British steamer, 922, Buchanan, Saigon Nov. 4, General.
—Strancker & Co.
Nov. 10, H.M.S. Curlew, Church, Foochow Nov. 8.
Nov. 10, Colombo, British barque, 384, H. Scharian, Macassar Sept. 12, General.
—CRITERION.

DEPARTURES.

Nov. 10, San Lorenzo, for Manila.
10, Fort, for Keelung.
10, Amoy, for Shanghai.
10, Emu, for Manila.
10, China, for Canton.
10, Japan, for Manila.

CLEARED.

Woodville, for London.
Lord of the Isles, for Takow.
Moria, for Saigon.
Genevieve, for Singapore.
E. S. Sandford, for New York.
Norma, for Swatow.
Yesso, for Coast Forts.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED.

Per China, from Shanghai, Mrs. Copeland, Mr. Halman, and 39 Chinese.
Per West Stanley, from Saigon, 12 Chinese.
Per Diomed, from Liverpool, Mrs. White; 3 Europeans and 260 Chinese, from ports of call.

DEPARTED.

Per Emu, for Manila, 184 Chinese.
To DEPART.
Per Norma, for Swatow, 250 Chinese.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British steamer Diomed reports: From Singapore to 15 N. had fine weather, remainder of passage fresh N.E. winds.
The German steamer China reports: Had fresh breeze from N.N.E. with rain as far as Turnabout, and from thence to port fine weather with moderate northerly winds. On the 8th passed the English Mail steamer off White Dogs, and on the 9th P. & O. S. S. Malacca and O. & O. S. S. Oceania, both near the Lamcocks, and today passed S. S. Amoy off Tamtoe Island.

The British steamer West Stanley reports: Strong N.E. winds from Cape Padaran to arrival.
The British barque Colombo reports: On leaving till 10 N. and 180 E. had light S.W. winds and strong S.W. current, and from thence to Formosa light N.E. winds and remainder of passage strong N.E. monsoon.

POST OFFICE NOTIFICATIONS.

MAILS will close:—

For SWATOW.—
For NORN, at 9 a.m., on Sunday, the 11th inst.

For SHANGHAI.—
For DIOMED, at 9 a.m. To-morrow, the 11th inst.

For MANILA.—
For EMBERLADA, at 11.30 a.m., on Monday, the 12th inst.

For SAIGON.—
For Barque ANGOSTURA, at 5 p.m., on Monday, the 12th inst.

For STRAITS SETTLEMENTS AND CALOUTTA.—
For VENICE and HINDOSTAN, at 2.30 p.m., on Tuesday, the 13th inst.

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MAILS BY THE FARMER PACKER.

The French Contract Packet AMANCO will be despatched from Hongkong on TUESDAY, the 15th instant, with Mails to and through the United Kingdom and Europe, via Marseilles; to Saigon, Singapore, Batavia, Galle, Pondicherry, Madras, Calcutta, Bombay, Aden, Suaz, and Alexandria.

The following will be the hours of closing the Mails, &c.:—

Wednesday, 14th Instant.—
5 p.m. Money Order Office closes. Post Office closes except the Night Box, which remains open all night.

Thursday, 15th Instant.—
7 a.m. Post Office opens for sale of Stamps, Registry of Letters, and Posting of all correspondence.

10 a.m. Registry of Letters ceases.

11 a.m. Post Office closes except for Late Letters.

11.10 a.m. Letters (but Letters only) may be posted on payment of a Late Fee of 18 cents extra postage, until

11.30 a.m. when the Post Office closes entirely.

Hongkong, November 1, 1877. no15

MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW.

RELIGIOUS SERVICES:—

St. John's Cathedral.—The Right Reverend Bishop Burdon; The Rev. E. Davis, Acting Colonial Chaplain. At 11 a.m., Morning Prayer, &c.

Military Service.—Rev. J. Henderson, acting Military Chaplain. At 8 a.m., Morning Prayer, &c.

Union Church.—Minister, Rev. James Lamont. Morning Service, at 11 a.m. Afternoon, 6 p.m.

St. Peter's Seamen's Church.—Rev. J. Henderson. Service at 6 p.m., every Sunday. All seats free. Morning Prayer and Communion on the First Sunday in each month at 11 a.m.

St. Stephen's Mission Church.—Rev. A. B. Hutchinson, and Rev. Lo Sam Yuen. (All Services in Chinese.) Morning Prayer:—Liturgy, Ante-Communion, and Sermon, at 11 a.m. Bible Class, at 3 p.m. Preaching, at 6.30 p.m. Holy Communion, 1st Sunday in Chinese month.

Berlin Foundling House.—Service in the German language, by Pastor E. Kitzke, every Sunday, at half-past ten a.m., in the Chapel of the Berlin Foundling House, West Point.

Shipping.

Daylight.—Yesso leaves for Coast Forts.

MEMOS. FOR MONDAY.

Shipping.

Noon.—Emeralda leaves for Manila.

Goods per City of Limerick undelivered after this date subject to rent.

Goods per Glenlyon undelivered after this date subject to rent.

General Memoranda.

TUESDAY, November 13:—

Claims against the Elmstone must be sent in to the Agents before Noon.

3 p.m.—Venice leaves for Singapore, &c.

3 p.m.—Eindostan leaves for B'pore, &c.

FRIDAY, November 16:—

Noon.—General Weekly Sale by Messrs Lane, Crawford & Co.

Harbinger leaves for Adelaide.

FRIDAY, November 23:—

Noon.—American Mail leaves for Yokohama and San Francisco.

THURSDAY, December 6:—

8 p.m.—Occidental & Oriental S. S. Co.'s Steamer leaves for Yokohama and San Francisco.

MONDAY, December 31:—

Noon.—Sale of Ground and Buildings, at Messrs Lane, Crawford's Sale Room, Praya.

TUESDAY, January 15:—

Claims against the Estate of James Smith Ferries, deceased, must be proved on or before this date.

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THE CHINA MAIL.

HONGKONG, SATURDAY, NOV. 10, 1877.

The fine of \$50 inflicted on a Chinese merchant at the Police Court yesterday for an evasion of the stamp duties may be expected to result in an increase of the revenue of the Colony during the ensuing year by at least several hundreds of dollars. Hitherto the Collector has found the greatest difficulty in detecting evasions of the duties, although perfectly well assured of their common occurrence, and this prosecution was in all probability one of the first fruits of the establishment of the Chinese Agency. A Chinese firm interested in the sale of the

stamps may be able to detect evasions of the Ordinance where a European official would discover nothing. It is surprising that Chinese merchants, well acquainted as they no doubt are with the requirements of the Ordinance, should be satisfied with unstamped documents, for the sake of their validity, if nothing else. The excuse offered in this case, that the defendant was in a hurry and forgot to affix the stamp, was too feeble to influence the decision of the Magistrate. A Chinaman is not the man to forget matters of this nature.

The telegraphic news we publish to-day is not so adverse to the Turkish cause as might at first sight appear. Orhanis, on which Chekfat Pasha is said to be retreating, is at the foot of the Balkan mountains, about thirty-five miles to the north-east of Sophia, and on the main road leading from that place to Plevna. One of the objects of this retreat is no doubt to cover Sophia and close the route running through it and over the Balkans—a supposition which is further borne out by the statement that Orhanis has been strongly reinforced, probably from the army of the Balkans, or Adrianople. This is the first we have heard of Chekfat having left Plevna, to which place it will be remembered, he marched with a Turkish division to relieve Osman Pasha. That he actually entered Plevna with his supply of ammunition and provisions is shown by a telegram in the Times of the 28th September, asserting that "after bloody and obstinate engagements fought on his march from Orhanis to Plevna, Chekfat entered the latter place on the 22nd with reinforcements and a sufficient quantity of provisions and ammunition." The avowed retreat upon Orhanis, with as many men as could possibly be spared from Plevna, to ensure the safety of the Balkan passes, while Osman Pasha should remain and defend Plevna to the last, ultimately surrendering, it may be, or effecting a retreat upon Widin. The fact of the Russians sending as many men as possible from their left flank to Plevna seems to indicate they are bent upon surrounding the place with a vast force, and annihilating, either by capture or slaughter, the whole Turkish army enclosed. It is perhaps a fortunate circumstance for the Turks that Chekfat has succeeded in making good his retreat from the place; anyway, his troops can do as much service in defending the Balkans as they would be able to do in operating from Widin, presuming they were able to effect a retreat west of Plevna. Turkish affairs in Asia seem to be progressing from bad to worse. There appears to be no doubt now that the commander at Kara has negotiated for a capitulation—a step he would hardly take were the place well supplied with provisions and troops. Erzeroum is also reported to have been evacuated by the Turks, probably because the fortifications of the place are not in a state to resist a Russian attack, and the Turkish Government cannot afford to have more of their Asiatic army taken prisoners. At least half of Muktar's army must have been destroyed or captured in the recent disastrous battle. Erzeroum, on which, and Trebizonde, the Turkish forces are said to be retreating, is about forty miles to the west of Erzeroum, on the main road leading from that place.

We scarcely expected another decree just yet forbidding the cultivation of the poppy in China, but the Peking Gazette of the 13th October contains one, almost identical in terms with the one appearing in that venerable journal on the 26th September last year. The decree recites that the plant continues to be largely cultivated without authority in all parts of the province of Shensi, and the Governor of the province is directed to "institute an enquiry with all due diligence, making it his positive duty to forbid the practice without exception. Should the district officials continue to shew an absence of energy in the execution of their orders, and to be guilty of winking at the continuance of a practice of which they are well aware, they are to be forthwith rigorously denounced to the throne." This is the third or fourth decree of a similar nature that has been issued within the last five years. What the object of the Government in issuing them is may be difficult to divine, but certain it is that their only effect appears to be to increase the growth of the poppy. It is indeed asserted that Li Hung Chang absolutely encourages the cultivation of the plant, with much the same objects as those for which he extends a liberal helping hand to the China Merchants' Steam Navigation Company. The question is whether the recent Imperial edict against opium smoking is to prove a similar force. We have very little doubt on our own minds that it will.

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There has been no news from the seat of war at Plevna for several days.

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It is decided to mobilise 165,000 of the reserve and 62,000 conscripts in Turkey.

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LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Among the Estimates placed yesterday before the Finance Committee was, we are glad to hear, an item for \$25,000 for the new Central School. The Legislative Council will be asked to vote that sum at the meeting on Monday next at 2.30 p.m.

The Choral Society held its first practice of the Season last evening, and it was gratifying to note a larger attendance than has been usual on such occasions—particularly of the ladies, among whom were several new members.

At the Marine Court to-day, How Ashan, a carpenter, was charged by Mr. J. Gardner, chief steward of the str. Diomed, with endeavouring to obtain a passage surreptitiously from Singapore to this port. Mr. Gardner said that he collected the tickets, and defendant had not got one. The number of tickets collected corresponded with the list of tickets issued by the Agents at Singapore. Defendant said he had lost his ticket. Four weeks' hard labour.

The usual fortnightly Entertainment will be given at the Temperance Hall on Monday evening next, commencing at 7.30 p.m.; admission being free as hitherto. The programme is as follows:—

1.—Pianoforte Solo, "Sparkling Drops."
2.—Song, "Will o' the Wisp."
3.—Reading, "The Duel."
4.—Duet, "See from Ocean Rising."
5.—Song, "The Beauty Arcthusa."
6.—Reading from Pickwick.
7.—Duet Piano and Violin, "From Mont."

8.—Trio, "Winds gently whisper."
9.—Song (Solo), "Bruce's Address."
10.—Reading, "Mickey Free's Father."
11.—Song (Comic, in Character), "Meddlesome Jack."
12.—Song.
13.—Song.

The opening match of the Hongkong Yacht Club advertised for to-day brought the following vessels to the starting place:

Station No. 1.—Ariel.
" 2.—Naomi.
" 3.—Wave.
" 4.—Naiad.

And at 10 o'clock to a minute the starting whistle despatched them in a light wind from the Northward, which increased to a fair sailing breeze as they reached through the shipping, Naiad gradually taking the lead from Wave, Naomi in turn leaving Ariel. Naiad continued to increase her distance and completed the first round at 12h. 19m. Naomi at 12h. 19m. Wave at 12h. 22m. 30s. Ariel at 12h. 41m. 30s.

The wind now fell light, and at the turning boat the second time all the boats were close together, and running up for the S. E. Breeze, they presented a very pretty picture from an artistic point of view, but not

so from a yachtman's perhaps, as although the four were "stem and stem," still there was scarcely wind enough to drive them ahead. They completed the second round: Ariel, 4h. 18m. 20s.; Naomi, 4h. 19m.; Wave, 4h. 19m. 30s.; Naiad, 4h. 20. 10s. Naomi made a very close turn and hauled out to windward of the fleet very fast in the light wind, but it was evident that none of the yachts could finish the course in the prescribed time, and after holding on till about 5 o'clock, Naomi, Wave and Ariel squared away for home, and Naomi finding it hopeless also gave up shortly afterwards; and all went out to their moorings. The match will be re-called on a day hereafter to be fixed.

The following are the details of the fatal explosion of a Chinese junk off Cheung Chow on the 6th inst. At about 5 p.m. on that day three passenger junks left Hongkong for Kwong Hoi in the Sunning district, south of Canton City. On the way, they had to call at the Cheung Chow Island to report to the Customs Station. Two of them arrived there first and were accordingly cleared. The Wing Fook Lee arrived about 9 p.m. and paid the necessary duty, amounting in all to about 9 taels. About 10 p.m. when she was about to leave, the officer in charge of the station came on board to examine the cargo, in order to ascertain whether or not it agreed with the manifest, remaining till 11.15 p.m. Finding no contraband goods on board, he ordered the Captain to open the gunpowder magazines in which there were about 120 casks of loose powder for the use of the ship. He found nothing there, and the sailing master proceeded to shut up the place. When the officer had left in a boat, it struck him as an after-thought that he had not made such a careful search as he might have done, and that there might be still some smuggled opium in the secluded corner which the sailing master was so anxious to shut up immediately after the cursory inspection. He therefore ordered two of his men to go on board again to re-examine the magazine. They did so and made the examination with a lighted candle. The powder was ignited and a terrible explosion was the consequence. The junk was blown to pieces, and there were at the time over thirty persons on board, including passengers, more than twenty of whom were either killed or are missing. One of the two men of the Station who made the examination was killed by the explosion, the other seriously wounded, and up to the present seven bodies have been picked up. One was recognised as that of the Captain, Leong Fook; another was that of the gunner; two others were those of seamen Muk Look and Lee Chun; one woman and three men, all passengers. The bodies of the missing are supposed to have drifted away. The junk had a cargo worth about \$1000, besides specie amounting to \$2000 more. We learn that a representation has been made to the Colonial Government by the parties concerned.

CRICKET.

The Match H. C. C. Club v. 28th Regiment was concluded to-day, the Club winning by 28 runs. The best score for the Club was 35 made yesterday by Johnson, and for the Regiment, Farmer put together 22 runs during the second innings. The play was not so good to-day as we have seen it on former occasions, and the weather will doubtless come in for a share of blame. In the first innings the Club had acquitted themselves very creditably, having secured 120 runs, 86 of which were scored for Johnson, Dunman and Handley, and when the Regiment resigned the wickets to them the second time, the 28th had only managed to count 44. The Regt. now set themselves to work to check the advance of their antagonists by careful fielding, while Walker and Ferguson gave no quarter. Dunman, however, managed to put together 22 out of a total of 47, when Walker disposed of him. The Regt. now took to the wickets, with a determination to "let out," and by the first five men they sent in got away with 64, and had their score increased to 108, when Walker came forward and registered 13, but owing to his vis-à-vis being less fortunate he was compelled to carry his bat out, leaving the Club a hard-won victory. The hand of the Regt. played during the afternoon, and there were a number of spectators present, who evinced much interest in the contest.

The following are the full scores:—

CLUB—1st Innings.

A. P. Handley, ct. Jackson, b. Farmer, 22
W. Dunman, ct. Jackson, b. Ferguson, 20
H. H. Taylor, b. Ferguson, 19
A. K. Travers, b. Ferguson, 19
W. H. Darby, ct. Walker, b. Ferguson, 19
H. E. Woodhouse, b. Walker, 19
H. B. Gibb, b. Ferguson, 19
W. Hynes, absent, 0
Extras, 1

Total, 120

CLUB—2nd Innings.

Pt. Pople, b. Travers, 9
Pt. Massey, ct. Johnson, b. Travers, 1
Lieut. Farmer, ct. Handley, b. Travers, 22
Pt. Handley, ct. Johnson, b. Travers, 30
Lieut. Walker, b. Handley, 3
L. Corp. Clerk, ct. Johnson, b. Darby, 5
Lieut. Jackson, ct. Ooxon, b. Handley, 8
Lieut. Drought, b. Darby, 10
Sergeant Ferguson, not out, 13
Pt. Anderson, ct. Ooxon, b. Darby, 6
Pt. Mason, b. A. K. Travers, 3
Extras, 10

Total, 147

CLUB—190+47=147

28th—44+103=147

Total, 294

Police Intelligence.

(Before James Russell, Esq.)
10th November, 1877.

DISOBEDIENT SERVANT.

Pang Aik, a house-cook, was charged by Mr. Bonaparte Byrnes, a broker living in Hollywood Road, with refusal of duty. He was told, through the cook, to clean the upper story, but he refused to do so, saying that having done it once, he was not going to do it again. Fined \$2 or 7 days' imprisonment.

RIVALRY.

Sew Akwal, a shopman, and Kong Akin, a seaman, were charged with fighting. It appeared that severe competition was going on among the Fokienese boarding house keepers in securing boarders for their establishments, and that rivalry was the cause of the present quarrel. From the evidence of Mr. Lee Hong Mee, it seemed that an understanding had been come to with all the Fokienese boarding-house keepers, who were divided into two parties; whereby the arrangement was that if one of the party who first got on board secured all the boarders, he shared the profits with those who happened to belong to his party. The opposition naturally tried to prevent his rival from getting on board first and thus securing all the boarders. Frequent fights arose, and this was one of them. The Magistrate fined the 1st defendant \$5 or one month's hard labour; 2nd defendant \$2 or 21 days' hard labour. Both were to give security for one month for their good behaviour, in \$50 and \$25 respectively.

LADY COOLIES.

Chang Afook and Ko Apo, chair-coolies, were charged by Inspector Oradock with refusal of duty. The defendants were chair-coolies employed by the complainant by the month at \$5 each. Last night he told them to carry Mrs. Batten back to No. 2 Station, but they refused, saying that they had had enough work that day. Inspector Oradock said all the work they had to do yesterday was to carry him from No. 7 Station (West Point) to the Police Court and take him back again. Then at 8 p.m. he directed them to carry the empty chair to No. 2 Station (East Point) to bring Mrs. Batten up. They came back about 10.7 p.m. About 11 p.m. they were ordered

A BATTERED

See wife and family in the workhouse hurried,
For being honest in a cheating world!
Oh, ragged honesty! why wast thou born?
To be the jest of rogues and rascals' scorn?
Out of this world! where you get sorry cheer,
For few, save knaves, can ever prosper here.
Begging's the trade! churches are begging
shops.

Priests with delight hear money as it drops!
In plate, as they the altars read:
It dings like leeches to our Christian creed!
In vain do monks preach 'gainst love of gold,
For that alone which waxes them when
they're sold.

north and east but exposed to a most fearful hail of projectiles from Harjial. Almost every minute a shell burst, and the gray smoke from it mingled with the clouds of red dust on all sides; perpetually before and behind me, to the right and to the left, pieces of iron struck into the ground. Our infantry took refuge behind great stones; and only the artillery remained with the greatest *sang-froid*, although in proportion they suffered greater losses, and therefore maintained that the Russians shot better than they did, and that their shells were more accurate, and did the more so since at least

gether to testify their joy at the news my dragoman brought from Erzeroum, that the British Consul there had received a two months' leave of absence. My colleagues

PREVENTION OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES.

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us to the hill-top, and began to stroke his chin. I now took the glass, and, sure enough, there they were, a group of eight or ten feeding calmly just on the highest side of the skyline. "I'm thinking we'd get them if they'll just stay there," said Donald, frowning, with his mind made up. "I'll try to get them," I said, and then he explained that we had to drive them by peering round to the other side of the "hill" so as to come upon them by rind.

For another hour we laboured up steadily, Donald, Tom with a colic and a deer-skin bag, and me with the largest Spanish hawk

"All is lost," he exclaimed. "Constance

The windows are open; and the air is so cold and wet. He falls back from there with a shiver, taking time to note with surprise the discolored conditions of the wall, and seeks the bed-room for refuge and a wash; but pauses when inside the door in dumb amazement, not unmixt with dismay. Seven chairs mysteriously stacked, bar his way effectually to the washstand. There is the bed with a picture of Washington lying on his petticoat case, with the family Bible, a sampler of beads and a banner of his command; while from under a collection of beaky frames, vases, ornaments, caskets,

of books, frames, vases, ornaments, etc.

The rest is too red.

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POSTAL RATES.

[Subjoined we give the postal rates now in force for transmission of correspondence to all parts of the world. Detailed rules affecting the transmission of packets, parcels, &c., will be found annexed, together with a number of miscellaneous and useful notices.]

Hongkong Rates of Postage.

(Revised Nov. 9th, 1877.)

In the following Statements and Tables the Rates are given in cents and are, for Letters, per two ounces, for Books and Patterns, per two ounces.

Newspapers over four ounces in weight are charged as double, treble, &c., as the case may be, but such papers or packets of papers may be sent at Book Rate. Two Newspapers must not be folded together as one, nor must anything whatever be inserted except bona fide Supplements. Printed matter may, however, be enclosed, if the whole be paid at Book Rate. Prices Current may be paid either as Newspapers or Books.

N.R. means No Registration.

Countries of the Postal Union.

The Union may be taken to comprise Europe, the United States, Brazil, India (including Ceylon, the Straits, and Aden), Japan, Egypt, Labuan, Mauritius, Seychelles, Jamaica, Trinidad, British Guiana, and Bermuda, with all French, Danish, Netherlands, Portuguese, and Spanish Colonies.

Countries not in the Union.—The chief countries not in the Union are: the Australasian Group, British North America, Africa (except French, &c., Colonies), and Central America.

Postage to Union Countries.

General Rates, by any route:—

Letters,	12 cents per 2 oz.
Registration,	8 cents.
Newspapers,	2 cents each.
Books and Patterns,	4 cents per 2 oz.

Exceptional rates, to the United Kingdom and Union Countries served through the United Kingdom via Brindisi only:—

Letters,	16 cents per 2 oz.
Registration,	8 cents.
Newspapers,	2 cents each.
Books and Patterns,	8 cents per 2 oz.

There is no charge on redressed correspondence within the Postal Union.

Postage to Non-Union Countries.

W. Africa, Falkland Islands, Lagos, Gold Coast, Liberia, Sierra Leone, Gambia, Cape Verde Islands:—

Letters,	22	26
Registration,	4	6
Newspapers,	4	6
Books & Patterns,	8	10

Aspinwall, Panama:—

Letters,	16	34	38
Registration,	None.	None.	None.
Newspapers,	4	4	6
Books & Patterns,	8	8	10

Canada, Vancouver, Prince Edward's Island, New Brunswick, and Nova Scotia:—

Letters,	12	16	20
Registration,	8	12	16
Newspapers,	2	4	6
Books & Patterns,	4	6	8

Bahamas, Hayti:—

Letters,	14	34	38
Registration,	None.	None.	None.
Newspapers,	4	4	6
Books & Patterns,	8	8	10

Bolivia, Chili, Ecuador, and Peru:—

Letters,	30	46	50
Newspapers,	6	6	8
Books & Patterns,	14	10	12
Registration,	12	None.	None.

Hawaiian Kingdom:—

Letters,	16	16	20
Registration,	None.	None.	None.
Newspapers,	4	4	6
Books & Patterns,	8	6	8

W. Indies, (except as above) Costa Rica, Guatemala, Monte Video, New Granada, and Venezuela:—

Letters,	26	34	38
Newspapers,	6	4	6
Books & Patterns,	14	8	10
Registration,	12	None.	None.

to British and Union West Indies only:—

Letters,	26	34	38
Newspapers,	6	4	6
Books & Patterns,	14	8	10
Registration,	12	None.	None.

Australia, New Zealand, Tasmania, Fiji (N.Z.), Natal, Cape, St. Helena, Ascension.

Letters, by Contract Packet 24; by Private Ship 12; Registration, 12; Newspapers, 2; Books and Patterns, 14.

* A small extra charge is made on delivery. + Cannot be sent via San Francisco.

LOCAL AND TOWN POSTAGE.

Within any Town or Settlement, or between Hongkong, Canton, and Macao, in either direction:—

Letters,	2	2	2
Registration,	2	2	2
Newspapers,	2	2	2
Books & Patterns,	2	2	2

Between any other two of the following places (through a British Office) viz.—(Hongkong, Macao, Porto of China and Japan, Bangkok, Saigon, and the Philippines, by Private Ship):—

Letters,	4	8	2
Registration,	4	8	2
Newspapers,	4	8	2
Books & Patterns,	4	8	2

Any publication fulfilling the conditions hereafter named can pass as a newspaper. The conditions are as follows:—

1st. The publication must consist wholly or in great part of political or other news, or of articles relating thereto, or to other current topics, with or without advertisements.

2nd. It must be published in numbers at intervals of not more than 31 days, and must be printed on a sheet or sheets unattached.

3rd. The full title and date of publication must be printed at the top of the first page, and the whole or part of the title and the date of publication at the top of every subsequent page; and this regulation applies to the title and date of publication of the newspaper, or of advertisements, printed on a sheet or sheets, or a piece or pieces of paper, unstitched; or wholly or in part of engravings, prints, or lithographs illustrative of articles in the newspaper. The supplement must in every case be published with the newspaper, and must have the title and date of publication of the newspaper printed at the top of every page; or, if it consists of engravings, prints, or lithographs, at the top of every sheet or side.

A packet containing two or more newspapers is not chargeable with a higher rate of postage than would be chargeable on a book packet of the same weight.

A newspaper posted unpaid, or a packet of newspapers posted either unpaid or insufficiently paid, is treated as an unpaid or insufficiently paid book packet of the same weight.

The postage must be prepaid either by an adhesive stamp, or by the use of a stamped wrapper.

No newspaper can now be sent through the post a second time for the original postage. For each transmission a fresh postage is required.

Every newspaper must be posted either without a cover (in which case it must not be fastened, whether by means of gum, wafer, sealing wax, postage stamp, or otherwise) or in a cover entirely open at both ends, so as to admit of easy removal for examination. If this rule be infringed the newspaper is treated as a letter.

Every newspaper must be so folded, as to admit of the title being readily inspected.

A newspaper or packet of newspapers which contains any enclosure except supplements is charged as a letter, unless the enclosure be such as might be sent at the book rate of postage, and the entire packet be sufficiently prepaid as a book packet, in which case it is allowed to pass.

A newspaper which has any letter, or any communication of the nature of a letter, written in it or upon its cover, is charged as an unpaid or insufficiently paid letter.

No packet of newspapers may be above 5 lbs. in weight, nor above two feet in length, one foot in width, nor one in depth.

A book-packet may contain any number of separate books or other publications (including printed or lithographed letters), photographs (when not on glass or in cases containing glass or any like substance), drawings, prints, or maps, and any quantity of paper, or any other substance in ordinary use for writing or printing upon; and the books or other publications, prints, maps, &c., may be either printed, written, engraved, lithographed, or plain; or any mixture of these. Further, all legitimate binding, mounting, or covering of a book, &c., or of a portion thereof, is allowed, &c., or of a portion thereof, is allowed, &c., or of a portion thereof, is allowed, &c.

But a book-packet may not contain any letter, or communication of the nature of a letter (whether separate or otherwise), unless it be a circular-letter or be wholly unprinted; nor any enclosure sealed or in any way closed against inspection; nor any other enclosure not allowed by Rule 3. If this rule be infringed, the entire packet is charged as a letter.

A book-packet may be posted either without a cover (in which case it must not be fastened, whether by means of gum, wafer, sealing wax, postage stamp, or otherwise), or in a cover entirely open at both ends, so as to admit of the contents being easily withdrawn for examination; otherwise it is treated as a letter. For the greater security of the contents, however, it may be tied at the ends with string; Postmasters being authorized to cut the string in such cases, although if they do so they must again tie up the packet.

No book-packet may be above 5 lbs. in weight, nor above 24 inches in length, 12 inches in width, or 12 inches in depth, unless it be sent to or from one of the Government offices.

When, owing to a great and unusual influx of letters, books, &c., the transmission or delivery of the letters would be delayed if the whole mail were dealt with without distinction, book-packets may be kept back till the next despatch or delivery.

The limit of size for a book-packet addressed to any place abroad is 24 inches in length and 12 inches in width or depth.

PATTERNS.

They must not be of intrinsic value. This rule excludes all articles of a saleable nature, and indeed whatever may have a value of its own, apart from its mere use as a pattern; and the quantity of any material sent ostensibly as a pattern must not be so great that it can fairly be considered as having on this ground an intrinsic value.

Pattern and Sample Post to colonies and foreign countries is restricted to bona fide trade patterns or samples of merchandise. Goods sent for sale, or in execution of an order (however small the quantity may be), or any articles sent by one private individual to another, which are not actual patterns or samples, are not admissible.

Patterns, or samples, when practicable, must be sent in covers open at the ends, and in such a manner as to be easily examined. But samples of seeds, drugs, and such like articles, which cannot be sent in covers of this kind, but such articles only, may be posted enclosed in boxes, or bags of linen, or other material, fastened in such a manner that they may be readily opened; or, in the case of seeds, &c., for the United States of America, Holland, and its possessions, Belgium, Denmark, Greece, Portugal, and its possessions, and Switzerland, in bags entirely closed, provided such closed bags are transparent, so

as to enable the Officers of the Post Office readily to satisfy themselves as to the nature of the contents.

There must be no writing or printing upon or in any packet except the address of the person for whom it is intended, the address of the sender, a trade mark or number, and the price of the articles.

Samples of intrinsic value must not be sent to any foreign country except United States; and in the case of France samples of older down, raw, or thread silk, woolen or goats' hair, thread, vanilla, saffron, carmine, or hosiery are considered to fall under this rule if they weigh more than three ounces; and up to this weight raw and spun silk, as well as coloured and twisted silk, may be sent to Germany.

The rule which forbids the transmission through the Post of any article likely to injure the contents of the Mail Bags or Boxes, or the person of any Officer of the Post Office, is, of course, applicable to the Pattern Post; and a packet containing anything of the kind will be stopped, and not sent to its destination. Articles such as the following have been occasionally posted as Patterns, and have been detained as such: Metal boxes, porcelain, earthenware, fruit, vegetables, bunches of flowers, cuttings of plants, spurs, knives, scissors, needles, pins, pieces of machinery, sharp pointed instruments, samples of metals, samples of ore, samples of various kinds, curry combs, copper and steel of all kinds.

Such articles as scissors, knives, razors, forks, steel pens, nails, keys, watch machinery, metal tubing, pieces of metal, or ore, provided that a manner as to afford guarded in so secure a manner as to afford the complete protection to the contents of the packet, and to the Officers of the Post Office, while at the same time they may be easily examined, may be sent as samples to the following countries, but to these alone: viz. the Azores, Belgium, Cape de Verde Islands, Denmark, Egypt, Germany, Holland, Madeira, Moldavia, Norway, Portugal, Sweden, Switzerland, Turkey, United States, Wallachia, and the British Colonies.

A packet of patterns or samples sent to the Azores, Cape de Verde Islands, France, Madeira, Portugal, or by French packet, to Turkey, Syria, or Egypt, must not exceed 18 inches in length, width, or depth; a packet to any other place abroad must not exceed 24 inches in length or 12 inches in width or depth.

To provide the greatest possible facilities for posting Correspondence for Europe, &c., up to the latest moment before the departure of the French Packets, arrangements have been made for receiving at the Post Office late letters—except those to and through Australia—from 11.10 A.M. to 11.30 A.M. Each letter must bear a late fee of 18 cents extra postage.

The above arrangement is intended to meet occasional emergencies, and not for the regular posting of extensive correspondence. Should it be found, therefore, that large and unmanageable numbers of letters are habitually thrown upon the Department at the last moment, a heavier late fee will be imposed.

A similar supplementary Mail will be made up for Shanghai by the English and French Contract Steamers, the late letters being received from 10 minutes after, up to half an hour after the time of closing. The late fee will also be 18 cents.

Miscellaneous Notices.

There will be communication with Australia via Batavia and Port Darwin, as follows:—

Leave Hongkong by French Packet, Sept. 15, Nov. 29, Dec. 13.

Leave Batavia, Oct. 1, Dec. 15, Dec. 29.

Due at Port Darwin, Oct. 12, Dec. 26, 1877.

Sydney, Oct. 31, Jan. 12, Melbourne, Nov. 6, Jan. 18, Adelaide, Nov. 12, Jan. 24.

For the present the correspondence can only be paid to Batavia, from which place it may possibly be forwarded without further charge.

Mails exchanged with Manila and Saigon.

The Philippine Islands being now admitted into the General Postal Union, it follows that all paid correspondence received from Manila in the mails will be delivered free by this Office, and that all paid correspondence sent to Manila in the mails should be delivered free there.

Article IX of the Postal Treaty of Bern provides that "Neither the senders nor the addressees of letters and other postal communications shall be called upon to pay, either in the Country of Origin, or in that of Destination, any tax or duty other than the recognized rates levied (in the case of paid correspondence) by the despatching Office. It is hoped that any extra charge, or apparently extra charge, will at once be brought to the notice of the proper authorities, in either Colony.

The above does not apply in any to loose letters sent outside the mails. These will always be charged on arrival in Hongkong and probably the Manila Office will adopt the same course.

Complaints are sometimes received of extra charges on correspondence exchanged between this Colony and Saigon; but it is believed it would be found in all cases that the letters, &c., had been sent loose.

Any Foreign stamps on loose correspondence are obliterated in this Office.

Indian Correspondence.

Unpaid Letters are not received for the Indian Mail Packets.

The Prepayment of Correspondence for the Straits, India, Ceylon, and Aden is compulsory by whatever opportunity it is forwarded.

Registration to Bangkok.

Her Britannic Majesty's Consul General for Siam has been good enough to make arrangements by means of which correspondence can be Registered to Bangkok, at the usual charge of 8 cents.

Soldiers' and Sailors' Letters.

Privates in H. M. Army or Navy, Non-commissioned Officers, Army Schoolmasters (not superintending or First Class), or Schoolmistresses may send half-price letters to the United Kingdom via Southampton to British Packets for three pence, or via Brindisi by British Packets for three pence. Hongkong stamps will prepay this class of

correspondence exactly the same as Imperial Stamps.

Soldiers' and Sailors' letters are, however, charged as ordinary letters if they do not conform to the following regulations:—

1. No type, or exceeding half an ounce. No double letters are allowed.

2. If from a Soldier or Sailor, his class or description must be stated in full on the letter, and the commanding Officer must sign his name with name of Regiment, or Ship, &c., in full.

3. If to a Soldier or Sailor, his class or description must be stated in full, with name of Regiment, or Ship, &c., in full.

Communication with Batavia.

The Netherlands India Packets leave Singapore fortnightly, and are fitted to the arrival of the outward E. & O. Mail from Europe.

The French Packets for Batavia wait at Singapore for the Packet from China and run fortnightly.

It follows that, to forward Correspondence to Batavia with the least delay, the following are the best opportunities:—

In the S.W. Monsoon.

The English Mail.

The French Mail.

In the N.E. Monsoon.

A Private Steamer a few days before the English Mail.

The French Mail.

The Post Office is not, by law, responsible for any loss or inconvenience which may arise from the non-delivery, mis-sending, or mis-delivery of any letter, book, or other postal packet (even if the packet be registered); nor is the Post Office responsible for any injury which a packet may sustain during its transmission.

To guard against such injury all postal packets which are likely to suffer from stamping or from great pressure should be packed in strong covers, and even with this precaution no fragile article should be sent through the Post. It should be remembered that every packet has to be handled several times; that it is exposed to considerable pressure and friction in the mail bag; and that, whenever the bag has to be opened, the transmission is transferred by means of the railway apparatus, the risk of injury is much increased.

No information can be given respecting letters which pass through a Post Office except to the persons to whom they are addressed; and in no other way is official information of a private character allowed to be made public. A Postmaster may, however, give an address if he has no reason to believe that the person whose address it is would disapprove of his doing so.

Postmasters are not allowed to return any letter or other packet to the writer or sender, or to any one else, or to delay forwarding it to its destination according to the address, even though a request to such effect be written thereon.

Postmasters are not bound to give change, nor are they authorized to demand change; and when money is paid at a Post Office, whether as change or otherwise, no question as to its right amount, goodness, or weight can be entertained after it has been removed from the counter.

Postmasters are not bound to weigh any letters or other packets for the public, but they may do so if their duty be not thereby impeded.

The practice of sealing letters passing to and from the East and West Indies, and other countries with hot climates, with wax (except such as is specially prepared), is attended with much inconvenience, and frequently with serious injury, not only to the letters so sealed but to the other letters in the mail, from the melting of the wax and adhesion of the letters to each other. The public are therefore recommended, in all such cases, to use either wafers or gum, and to advise their correspondents in the countries referred to, to do the same.

The registration of a packet makes its transmission much more secure, inasmuch as, under ordinary circumstances, a registered packet can be traced through its whole course; and thus the loss of a registered packet is a very rare occurrence. Nevertheless large sums of money or other articles of great value should not be sent through the post, even if the packet be registered; as the machinery of the Department is not arranged with a view to such transmission.

By law, the Post Office is not responsible for the safe delivery of registered packets, though any officer who may neglect his duty on this point will be called to strict account. Sent in unregistered letters, valuable articles are exposed to risk, and offer a temptation which ought not to be created; and the Department cannot in any way undertake the safe conveyance of such packets. All inland or colonial letters, and therefore, which contain coin, and all inland letters, even though they be posted by registered mail, are treated as registered, and charged on delivery with a double registration fee of eightpence in addition to the ordinary postage; and any such letters which cannot be registered in time to be forwarded by the mail for which they are posted are detained for the next despatch. Even if the letter do not contain any article of intrinsic value, it should, if it be very important, be registered.

Most countries to which Hongkong forwards Correspondence having joined the General Postal Union or being probably about to do so, it is necessary that the following rules be strictly observed:—

1. No Letter or Packet, whether to be registered or unregistered, can be received for Postage if it contains gold or silver money, jewels, precious articles, or anything that, as a general rule, is liable to Customs duties.

2. This Regulation prohibits the sending of Patterns of dutiable articles, unless the quantity sent be so small as to make the sample of no value.

3. The limit of weight allowed are as follows:—

Books and Papers to British Offices, 5 lbs. to the Continent, &c., 2 lbs. Patterns to British Offices, 2 lbs. if without intrinsic value; to the Continent, &c., 3 oz.

4. The following articles cannot be sent by Post at all: Glass, Liquids, Gunpowder, Matches, Candles, Soap, Indigo, Dye-stuffs, or whatever is dangerous to the Mails, or offensive or injurious to persons dealing with them.

5. The public is reminded that, in China and Japan, there is no such thing as a Parcel Post. Much trouble and disappointment is caused by persistent attempts

to send small valuable trifles through the Parcel Post, and similar parcels are continually being refused, the senders having often spent more in Postage than would have paid the freight by steamer. No refund can be made on such parcels of the value of Stamps obliterated before the nature of the contents was discovered.

6. Some difficulty is experienced in obtaining a general understanding of what is a Pattern. It is a bona fide sample of goods which the sender has for sale, or of goods which he wishes to order. It is to consist of the smallest possible quantity compatible with showing what the goods are, and must have no intrinsic value.

To provide means of remitting small sums of money to or from this Colony and between the Ports of China and Japan, the Postmasters and Agents of this Office will in future be allowed (but not required) to purchase Hongkong Postage Stamps from foreign residents.

Between Hongkong and Shanghai, or Hongkong and Yokohama, however, in either direction, Money-Orders must be used.

The Stamps tendered for sale must not exceed \$25 in value, must be perfectly clean, in good condition, and in strips of at least two, as no separate Stamps will be purchased. They must be presented personally or accompanied by note.

The Postmaster or Agent may postpone purchasing if his public funds in hand are not sufficient, and he will refuse to purchase in any case which appears doubtful or suspicious. He is allowed to charge a Commission of one per cent on all Stamps purchased.

Letters containing Stamps should be Registered, and the Stamps should be secured from observation.

During the N.E. Monsoon, the Charterers and Agents of sailing ships for Manila, Saigon, and Bangkok are requested to give notice to the Post Office of the departures of such ships.

No correspondence will be forwarded by sailing vessel but such as is specially so directed.

Money Order Regulations.

1. Money Orders on the United Kingdom are issued at Hongkong, Shanghai and Yokohama. Shanghai and Yokohama also issue on Hongkong and vice versa.

2. Small sums may be remitted between the other Ports by means of Postage Stamps.

3. Many Money Orders are supplied to residents at the smaller Ports in this way. An application for an order is filled up and is enclosed with a stamped, directed, and unsealed envelope to the Postmaster at the nearest issuing office. The application must be accompanied with the full amount (including commission) in cheque, postage stamps, or other equivalent of cash, and a little margin should be left for variations of exchange.

The Postmaster issues the order, sends it on in the envelope, and returns the change, if any, by first opportunity, with a receipt for the letter, if it were to be registered, as it always should be. Care should be taken to send these applications in time, as the Money Order Office closes some hours before the departure of the mails.

4. No order must exceed £10, or include any fraction of a penny. Orders will be drawn at the current rate of the day, and paid at the rate of the day when the advice arrived.

The commission is as follows:—

Orders on the United Kingdom.	
Up to £25.....	18 cents.
" £25.....36 "	
" £36.....54 "	
" £54.....72 "	
Local Money Orders.	
Up to £25.....	15 cents.
" £25.....30 "	
" £30.....45 "	
" £45.....60 "	

5. Lists of Money Order Offices in the United Kingdom may be consulted at Hongkong, Shanghai, and Yokohama.

6. Names must be given in full (except when there is more than one Christian name) but the name of the Payee need not be given if the order be crossed (as cheques are crossed). It can then be paid only specially crossed to any Bank.

7. No order can be paid till the Payee has signed it in the proper place. An order can be transferred to another office on payment of an additional commission.

In case of loss of an order, necessity for stopping payment, or the like, application should be made to the nearest Money Order Office for instructions.

8. If the order be not presented within six months an additional commission will be charged; if not within twelve months, the money will be forfeited. When the order is once paid no further claim can be entertained.

9. No order can be paid until the advice relative to it has been received.

* Made out on a printed form which is supplied gratis.

Merchant Vessels in Hongkong Harbour.

Exclusive of late Arrivals and Departures reported to-day.

To facilitate finding the position of any vessel in the Harbour, the Anchorage is divided into eight Sections, commencing at Green Island. Vessels near the Hongkong shore are marked A, near the Kowloon shore A, and those in the body of the Harbour or midway between each shore are marked C, in conjunction with the figures denoting the sections.

- Section.
1. From Green Island to the Gas Works.
 2. From Gas Works to the Novelty Iron Works.
 3. From Novelty Iron Works to the Harbour Master's Office.
 4. From Harbour Master's Office to the P. and O. Co.'s Office.
 5. From P. and O. Co.'s Office to Paddar's Wharf.
 6. From Paddar's Wharf to the Naval Yard.
 7. From Naval Yard to the Pier.
 8. From Pier to East Point.

Vessel's Name.	Anchor.	Captain.	Flag and Reg.	Tons.	Date of Arrival.	Consignees or Agents.	Destination.	Remarks.
Steamers								
Bombay	5	Briscoe	Brit. str.	740	Oct. 24	P. & O. S. N. Co.		
Camoes	2	Scott	Brit. str.	95	Oct. 24	Kwok Achong		
Cheong Hook Kian	1	Scott	Brit. str.	956	Oct. 31	Man Hing		
China	5	Ackermann	Ger. str.	648	Nov. 10	Siemens & Co.	Canton	Sands' Slip
Diomed	5	Jackson	Brit. str.	1240	Nov. 9	Butterfield & Swire	Shanghai	To-day
Emmy	2	Blanco	Span. str.	423	Nov. 7	Remedios & Co.	Manila	To-day
Fame	6	Stopani	Brit. str.	117	Nov. 7	H. K. & W'pca Dock Co.		Tug Flying
Fernow	2	Bergen	Brit. str.	700	Oct. 7	Chinese	Swatow	Sands' Slip
Golden Horn	6	Alton	Brit. str.	1023	Nov. 3	Wm. Pustan & Co.	Shanghai	at daylight
Hindostan	5	Macfarish	Brit. str.	991	Oct. 30	David Sassoon, Sons & Co.	S'pore, Calcutta, &c.	13th, 3 p.m.
Kjoberhava	3	Jerlehan	Dan. str.	701	Nov. 6	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.		
Mariveles	2	Munoz	Span. str.	553	Oct. 18	Remedios & Co.		
Norma	2	Walker	Brit. str.	606	Nov. 8	Kwok Achong	Swatow	To-morrow
Pacific	4	Petersen	Ger. str.	609	Nov. 9	Hermelbach & Co.	South Pacific Islands	
Panay	2	Goyenechea	Span. str.	500	Oct. 30	Remedios & Co.		
Rajanattianuhar	3	Hopkins	Brit. str.	933	Nov. 9	Yuen Fat Hong		
Sea Gull	5	Roberts	Brit. str.	48	Sept. 19	Insurance Company		
Strathairn	4	Cassock	Brit. str.	1236	Nov. 8	Gibb, Livingston & Co.		
Venice de Vries	4	Rhodes	Brit. str.	1271	Oct. 20	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	S'pore, Calcutta, &c.	13th, 3 p.m.
West Stanley	4	Runciman	Brit. str.	982	Nov. 10	G. McEwan		Repairing
Yesso	5	S. Ashton	Brit. str.	589	Nov. 8	Siemens & Co.		
						Douglas Laprak & Co.	Coast Ports	at daylight
Sailing Vessels								
Abercrombie	3	Evans	Brit. sh.	1087	Oct. 12	Adams, Bell & Co.		
Abiel Abbot	3	Chase	Am.Sm.so.	590	Sept. 24	Russell & Co.	New York	
Alphington	3	Cunningham	Brit. bge.	326	Sept. 6	Wielers & Co.		For Sale
Alva	4	Souza	Port. sh.	631	Aug. 30	Hop Kee & Co.	Sydney & Melbourne	
Angostura	3	Boysen	Ger. bge.	418	Oct. 24	Carlowitz & Co.	Salgon	
Augusta	3	Bernard	Fch. bge.	869	Oct. 21	Carlowitz & Co.	Honolulu	
Bonita	4	Stehr	Ger.Sm.so.	341	Nov. 7	Edward Schellhaas & Co.		
Broomhall	4	Bate	Brit. sh.	1379	Oct. 28	Russell & Co.		
Bua Chao	2	Lange	Slam. bge.	338	Oct. 22	Yuen Fat Hong		
Candidate	3	Davison	Brit. sh.	785	Nov. 1	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	Cebu	
Carl	4	Thomson	Ger. bg.	215	Nov. 9	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.		
Charis	4	Hervy	Fch. bge.	255	Nov. 7	Carlowitz & Co.		
Charter Oak	7	Staples	Amer. bge.	863	Oct. 24	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	Honolulu	
Chascon	3	Mukher	Amer. bge.	828	Oct. 4	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.		
Chocoma	4	Kennett	Brit. bge.	248	Oct. 6	Rosario & Co.	Melbourne & Sydney	
Cliffurnum	3	Shrewsbury	Brit. sh.	1884	Sept. 26	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.		
Clara	1	Chalmers	Brit. sh.	938	Nov. 10	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.		
Colombo	3	Scharlan	Brit. bge.	884	Nov. 10	Chinese		
Colorado	3	Ingraham	Amer. sh.	1075	Oct. 15	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	New York	
Cornwall	3	Lauridsen	Ger. bge.	283	Nov. 7	Edward Schellhaas & Co.		
Crescent	3	Vincent	Amer. soh.	150	Sept. 25	Insurance Co.		
Crosswell	3	White	Brit. bge.	464	Oct. 30	Chinese		
Criterion	3	Lull	Amer. sh.	1546	Sept. 1	Siemens & Co.		
Cuba	3	Stabell	Brit. bge.	320	Nov. 8	Meyer & Co.		
Elizabeth Nicholson	3	Grierson	Brit. sh.	904	Oct. 24	Russell & Co.		
Elise	4	Permen	Hawa. bg.	312	Nov. 9	Order		
Elmstone	4	Henderson	Brit. bge.	698	Oct. 19	Douglas Laprak & Co.		
Empress	3	Skinner	Brit. bge.	286	Oct. 28	Rotario & Co.	Melbourne & Sydney	
Evening Star	4	Asburn	Brit. bge.	871	Oct. 19	Horneo Company, Limited		
Fabius	3	Stolze	Slam. sh.	636	Oct. 28	Chinese		
Faugh-Ballagh	2	Rute	Ger. bge.	240	Nov. 6	Carlowitz & Co.	Salgon	
Galatia	7	Jaeger	Ger. sh.	1296	July 30	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	San Francisco	
Garnouth	3	McPherson	Brit.Sm.so.	199	Oct. 6	Meyer & Co.	Melbourne	
Genevieve	3	Frates	Fch. bge.	869	Oct. 21	Landstein & Co.	Singapore	Cleared
Great Admiral	3	Thompson	Amer. sh.	1876	Aug. 19	Russell & Co.		
Groen Van Prinstere	4	Van Jonge	Dut. bge.	871	Oct. 14	Melchers & Co.		
Gustav & Marie	2	Bühner	Ger. sh.	354	Nov. 8	Wielers & Co.	Sourabaya	
H. S. Sandford	2	Sleeper	Amer. sh.	1105	Aug. 12	Russell & Co.		Cleared
Harbinger	3	Johnson	Brit. sh.	1508	July 27	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	New York	
Harriet N. Carleton	3	Barlows	Amer. bge.	872	Oct. 16	Russell & Co.	Adelaide	Cleared
Holion	1	Hovos	Amer. sh.	1200	Oct. 18	Melchers & Co.	Honolulu	16th inst.
Horse	7	Wadley	Brit. sh.	1127	Nov. 2	P. & O. S. N. Co.		
India	4	Kaldahl	Norw. bge.	788	Nov. 2	Siemens & Co.	Hollo	To-day
Ides of the South	4	Dennett	Brit. sh.	820	July 5	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	New York	
Jacatra	4	Diksen	Dut. bg.	310	Oct. 28	Siemens & Co.		
Japan	3	Ohlmann	Ger.Sm.so.	270	Oct. 28	Chinese	Manila	Cleared
Johanne	3	Bersken	Ger. bge.	528	Oct. 3	Wm. Pustan & Co.		
Kate Carnie	4	Wilson	Brit. bge.	549	Oct. 20	Melchers & Co.		K'long I.
Kenton	3	Oobrin	Brit. bge.	687	Oct. 24	Wielers & Co.		
Loiterer	3	Watt	Amer. soh.	45	Aug. 13	Insurance Co.		
Lord of the Isles	3	Watt	Brit. bge.	317	Oct. 19	Meyer & Co.	Takow	Cleared
Lucky	2	Sanderson	Slam. bge.	422	Oct. 21	Chinese		
Lucie	2	Kilindt	Slam. bge.	432	Sept. 4	Tack Mee		
Mangerton	3	Thompson	Brit. bge.	330	Sept. 19	Adams, Bell & Co.		
Maria	3	Fonchard	Fch. bge.	179	Oct. 21	Carlowitz & Co.	Salgon	Cleared
Marie	4	Burmeister	Ger. bge.	465	Sept. 25	Wm. Pustan & Co.		
Melbrek	3	Pierce	Brit. bge.	870	Oct. 16	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	Cebu	
Memnon	3	Kohlberg	Amer. sh.	598	Sept. 26	Meyer & Co.		
Metor	2	Dinkelberg	Ger. bge.	598	Sept. 28	Melchers & Co.	New York	
Neleida	3	Clyne	Brit. sh.	284	Oct. 22	Gibb, Livingston & Co.		
Palestine	2	Soworoff	Brit. bge.	593	Oct. 22	Melchers & Co.	Bangkok	To-morrow
Phillip Fitzpatrick	4	Phelon	Amer. bge.	582	Oct. 19	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.		
Piccola	4	Grafe	Ger. bge.	239	Oct. 2	Siemens & Co.		
Presio	4	Laidman	Brit. bge.	384	Nov. 8	Meyer & Co.		
Princess Seraphi	2	Munohan	Slam. bge.	445	Oct. 12	Carlowitz & Co.		
Rhuddan Castle	5	Richards	Brit. bge.	593	Nov. 8	Wm. Pustan & Co.		
Samos	3	Bryant	Amer. soh.	395	Nov. 9	Russell & Co.		
Sea Belle	3	Rass	Brit.Sm.so.	219	Nov. 9	Captain		
Slamese Crown	2	Sass	Slam. sh.	539	Oct. 24	Tak Mee		
St. Idene	3	Durand	Fch. bge.	388	Nov. 8	Carlowitz & Co.		
Staghound	3	Fawcett	Brit. bge.	992	Oct. 22	Meyer & Co.	Manila	
Starlight	1	Wachtelbrenner	Slam. bg.	239	Sept. 11	Chinese		put back
Strathmore	3	Hemsworth	Brit. bge.	600	Sept. 22	Douglas Laprak & Co.		
Sumatra	4	Clough	Amer. sh.	1090	Sept. 11	Russell & Co.		
Sydenham	4	Miller	Brit. sh.	1068	July 11	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	London	
The Murray	3	Mitchell	Brit. sh.	903	Oct. 6	Jardine, Matheson & Co.		
Thomas A. Goddard	3	Smith	Amer. bge.	682	Oct. 23	Order		
Three Brothers	4	Kahloke	Brit. bge.	387	Oct. 21	Chinese		
Trilo	4	Westerveld	Dut. bge.	293	Oct. 18	Siemens & Co.		
Undine	3	Faulkner	Brit. bge.	798	Oct. 15	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Cebu	
Uzziah	3	Harnden	Brit. soh.	519	Nov. 5	Wielers & Co.	Batavia	
Woodville	7	Nielsen	Brit. bge.	714	Sept. 5	Meyer & Co.	London	Cleared
WEAMPAS								
Rosa Boettcher		Schulze	Ger. bge.		Nov. 9	Wm. Pustan & Co.		

Men-of-war in Hongkong Harbour.

Vessel's Name.	Anchor-ago.	Flag.	Class.	Tons.	Guns.	H. P.	Date of Arrival.	Commander.
Audacious	7 c	British	Iron-clad (flag-ship)	6034	14	800	Oct. 9	F. Durrant
Chen-ju	K. D.	Chinese	gunboat	80	3	20	Oct. 29	E. F. Collins
Christoforo Colombo	A. D.	Italian	man-of-war	2000	...	...	Oct. 29	Canavaro
Cunliffe	7 h	British	gun vessel	774	3	180	Nov. 10	E. J. Church
De Hugen	6 c	French	man-of-war	1240	...	...	Nov. 8	M. Galsche
Meane	6 k	British	military hospital	2891	...	...	Nov. 8	W. Carey
Morehead	6 h	British	gunboat	450	4	60	Nov. 8	Commodore Watson
Victor Emanuel	6 c	British	Commodore's flag-ship	3027	14	280	Oct. 30	H. C. D. Ryder
Vigilant	7 h	British	despatch vessel	856	2	280	Oct. 30	

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HONGKONG MARKET PRICES.

Corrected to Saturday, November 10, 1877.

At 1110 Cash per Dollar Mexican.

Butcher Meat.	Chinese Names.	Price.
Bacon, English, lb.	來路烟猪肉	450 400
" Am. Sugar cured, "	花旗烟猪肉	300 250
" Foodow, new, "	福州烟猪肉	250 200
Beef, sirloin and prime cut, cy.	尾龍扒	150 140
Beef Corned, catty	鹹牛肉	130 120
" Roast, "	燒牛肉	140 130
" Soup, "	湯肉	90 80
" Steak, "	牛肉把	140 130
Bullocks' Brains, per set	牛腦	60 50
" Tongue, fresh, each	牛舌	275 250
" " corned, "	鹹牛舌	320 300
" Head, "	牛頭	500 400
" Heart, "	牛心	140 120
" Hump, Salt, catty	牛肩	130 120
" Feet, each	牛脚	40 30
" Kidneys, "	牛腰	60 50
" Tail, "	牛尾	100 90
" Liver, catty	牛肝	80 60
" Tripe (undressed), catty	牛肚	60 40
Calves' Head and Feet, set	牛仔頭脚	500 400
Hams, American, lb.	花旗火腿	300 280
" Chinese, "	金華火腿	200 180
" English, "	來路火腿	350 320
Mutton Chop, "	羊腩	160 150
" Leg, "	羊腿	180 160
" Shoulder, "	羊手	120 110
" Liver, "	羊肝	180 120
Pigs' Chittlings, catty	豬脚	60 50
" Feet, "	豬脚	100 80
" Fry, "	豬雜	110 100
" Head, "	豬頭	90 80
" Heart, each	豬心	60 40
" Kidneys, "	豬腰	70 60
" Liver, lb.	豬肝	100 80
Pork, Chop, catty	豬腩	140 130
" Corned, "	鹹猪肉	180 160
" Leg, "	豬腿	140 130
" Fat or Lard, "	豬油	110 100
Sheep's Head and Feet, set	羊頭脚	400 340
" Heart, each	羊心	50 40
" Kidneys, "	羊腰	70 60
Stucking Pigs, "	豬仔	1750 1000